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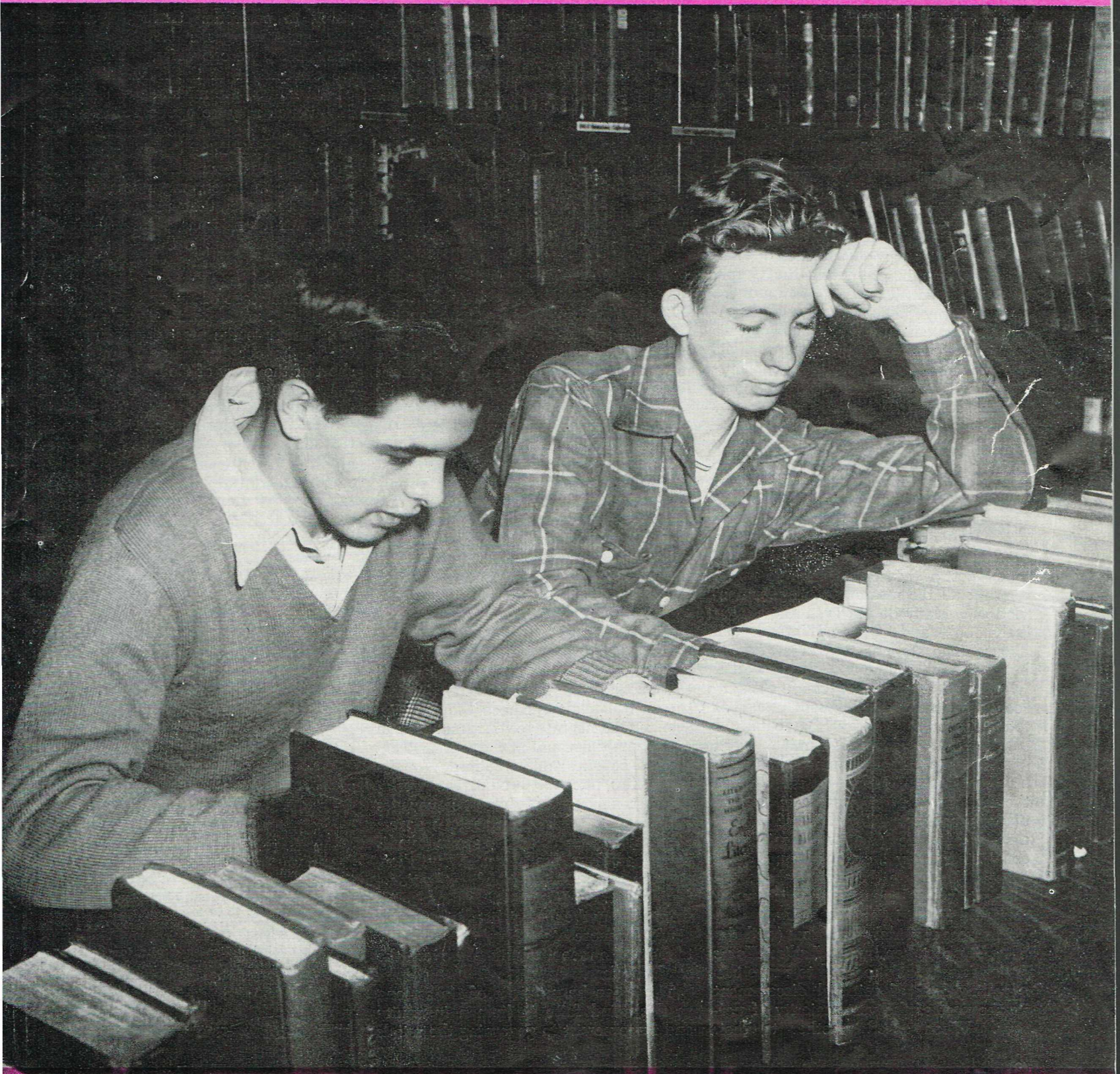
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"...apply thine heart to understanding."

EDITORIAL

Guest Editorial

A Sense of Sin

WE HAVE been concerned with practical, concrete questions regarding our membership and plans for future growth. Undergirding them, always, of course, lie the more abstract, theoretical tenets of our faith, upon which we build our practical structure. That some of these need to be carefully studied and re-examined is becoming daily more obvious. We do not, however, mean, re-examination in the sense of criticizing them. If they were not, according to our logic and belief, true, we would not exist as a church body. What we do need is to apply them, re-interpret them to ourselves in this day.

The old-fashioned evangelist in his meetings used a peculiar vocabulary. There is nothing wrong with it, nor is there anything particularly sacred about a set formula in presenting the Gospel to the unsaved. The sole criterion of the worth of any preaching, whether evangelistic, doctrinal, or whatever we choose to call it, is its effect upon its listeners. If they do not know what the preacher is talking about, then, obviously, the sermon will not do them any good.

That is the chief objection to the old stereotyped phrases. We still hear evangelists calling to "repentance" when half their audience do not know what repentance, in the Christian, theological sense, really means. We hear them beseeching persons "under conviction," when most of the hearers do not comprehend at all the meaning of "under conviction." Many do not even know what "salvation" and "redemption" is all about. The story is told of a zealous, but untaught Sunday School worker who pleaded with her small class to "come to Jesus." "But," said one little tot, "I never been away from Him!"

Even that supposedly familiar word "sin" has a peculiar meaning when used by theologians. Many—indeed, by far the majority, do not know it in its particular meaning. They think of "sin" as a series of little (or large) misdeeds, committed every day, or some great crime. Rarely do they comprehend the abstract, general meaning that is usually connoted in Christian preaching.

The recent widely-heralded (and deplored) poll taken by the *Ladies' Home Journal* need only be cited to prove this appalling lack of spiritual discernment on the part of the vast majority of persons. When asked whether to their

knowledge they had at any time during the past 24 hours failed to follow Jesus in their personal lives, the great majority answered sincerely, "No." Not once in 24 hours, was there any sense of failure, or falling short of perfection!

It can only be thought in all charity, that they did not comprehend the meaning of the question. Otherwise, they are all like the despised Pharisee, who thanks God he is not as other men are—but perfect. The doctrine of "Original Sin" is not popular today. It never has been very popular, perhaps, but today, in these times of mechanical and technical progress, it is almost forgotten. People don't simply disbelieve it; they remain in total ignorance of it.



But it is this doctrine that is at the root of all Christian teaching. Without it, the entire theology of redemption, the need for a Saviour collapses, for it has no other logical foundation. What is the need for being "saved" many ask in all honesty, when they have not greatly sinned? It is wisely remarked that the greatest saints are those who have the lowest opinions of their own personal sufficiency. It is not a "pious hypocrisy" on their part to say they are vile; for only a true saint of God who has actively and preciously experienced His close fellowship can perceive how truly vile the unregenerate human spirit is; how even the regenerate continually fall back into their vileness, and must be daily redeemed, and returned to the love of God.

It is pride, then, the sense of self-sufficiency, that is at once the boast and the curse of our times, that is the real sin—as it has always been the real sin. But today, its menace is greater than ever, simply because of these great technical discoveries and inventions. An airplane flies non-stop around the world; scientists talk seriously of space voyages to the moon and interplanetary space; power undreamed of a decade ago is unleashed from the atom. Why, then, do men need Redemption? Salvation—from what? With all this power? All we need, say the materialists, is a greater air force, more atom bombs, the ability to fly to the moon, and there govern the earth by fear.

There can be no sense of sin as long as this blind faith in human ingenuity and force persist in governing the minds

and hearts of men. There can be no repentance, where there is no sense of having "sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." A civilization that pays only a perfunctory sort of respect to a shadowy "divinity," but goes on its own head-long way to destruction, is poor ground for fruits of repentance, or fostering a sense of sin and inadequacy in the hearts of its citizenry.

How can we implant a sense of sin, of original sin, of having fallen from perfection rather than a false concept of rising to perfection through "scientific and moral" progress? We can talk, we can preach, we can write, but above all, we can pray that the hard hearts, the closed minds, the mistaken souls of our fellow-men may be opened to the light. For so long as men lack a sense of sin, so long as they think they are doing "all right," haven't committed any sins during the past week, regardless of their private thoughts, their unspoken hatred, their pitiful ambitions, so long they will be unapproachable to the Gospel.

It is not only the unsaved; it is Christians (particularly those in name alone) who lack a sense of sin, or have failed to grasp its true import. Everyone from Paul down to the most ignorant savage of the jungles has sinned, and "come short of the glory of God." Let us pray, daily, nightly, as often as we think of it, for individuals about us, and for men in general, that their minds may be opened, that at least, they acknowledge that they are not without sin.

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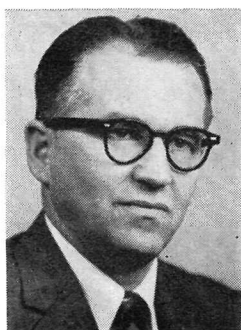
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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL under God has become one of the major forces in our community and national life. It is doubtful if any other organization of the Christian church offers avenues of service to more Christian laymen or touches the lives of more people than does the Sunday school. A major share of the present day interest in the church is due to the modern Sunday school movement in United States and Canada.

A major responsibility of the church is to teach. The Great Commission calls her to this task; Jesus Himself was known as the Teacher; the early church highly honored the gift of teaching; and the epistles were written as letters of instruction. Teaching is as important as evangelism in the program of the church. In light of this responsibility the church should use all the means at her disposal to instruct the non-Christian and nurture Christians until all men come to a knowledge of and maturity in Christ.

In view of these, and many other observations which could be made, the church needs to recognize the potential available in the Sunday school and to understand the relation of these two organizations. (The church here refers to the local group of Christians gathered for worship, nurture, fellowship, and evangelism.) In this church, organized for the purposes stated, what is the unique function of the Sunday school and its relation to the total program? I believe it to be this:

The Sunday school is the graded teaching department of the church carrying out a phase of the teaching ministry of the church. In keeping with this definition I would make two comments:

1. The Sunday school should be an integral part of the local church program.
2. The Sunday school's primary function is to teach.

To state that the Sunday school is a part of the local church program may seem to be a truism—an obvious fact. Although this relationship may be true in theory it is not always so in fact. The fact is that the Sunday school has its own

board, staff, finances, literature, program, and membership. Although most of its staff and many of its members are also members of the local church, and although the local church building is used for its assemblies and classes, there is often a very little sense of unity of organization between the two organizations. This results in the pastor and the church board feeling a minimum of responsibility for the Sunday school program. On the other hand the Sunday school staff questions the pastor's prerogative should he endeavor to give direction and coordination to the Sunday school program.

true. The Sunday school offerings not only finance the operation of the Sunday school but are the principal support of the denominational program and a certain amount is even given to the local church for the use of the facilities. As welcome as this local contribution may be to the hard-pressed treasurer of the church its suggests an unsatisfactory understanding of the church-Sunday school relationship.

The ministry of the Sunday school should make a definite contribution to the doctrinal and theological emphasis of the church. The Sunday school curriculum and teachers should not be in

The Place of the Sunday School in the Church Program

The cause of this is not hard to find. The Sunday school originated outside the church and grew up in many cases without the blessing of the church. Outreach efforts have often taken the form of a branch Sunday school existing prior to any established church program. The vision and zeal of dedicated laymen often exceeded that of the church, and the Sunday school outgrew the local church. The many responsibilities which a pastor has makes it easy to delegate this area of the program and give it a minimum of his time.

Although this separation is understandable it is not ideal, nor is the ministry of either the church or the Sunday school as effective as it should be. The Sunday school should be an integral part of the church's program. The name *church school* would better express the relationship. To the church has been committed the responsibility for teaching. The Sunday school is one of the departments of the church carrying out a phase of this responsibility.

This relationship of the church and Sunday school means that the pastor and church board should have an active interest in the organization and administration of the school; they should be concerned with the quality of the teaching and the scope and emphasis of the curriculum. It should be their responsibility, or that of a group responsible to them, to co-ordinate the school's program with the other areas of church life.

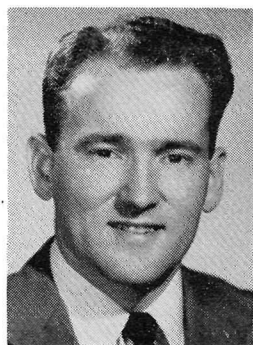
The church could well assume financial responsibility for the Sunday school. In many situations the opposite is almost

opposition to the church's accepted position nor even be neutral to this position. As essential as a Bible-centered curriculum may be, it *alone* will not do for the church program what ought to be done. It must be taught within a doctrinal framework sympathetic to the church's position. This then becomes a real concern of the pastor and his church board. Sunday school teaching must be for a purpose. This purpose should be for decision and nurture, both of which should be understood within the doctrinal position of the church. The church's understanding of conversion within the influence of a Christian home; her understanding of the need for a mature Christian decision; her position on discipleship and maturity must find sympathetic support in the Sunday school curriculum and classroom instruction.

The second observation is that *the Sunday school exists to teach*. This is the main purpose for its existence. This means that any other activity in which the Sunday school may engage, and indeed all phases of the program, must be evaluated in the light of this primary purpose.

There are phases of the Sunday school program which have been traditional but which are not in the area of teaching and which need to be carefully evaluated in order that they do not, 1) detract from the teaching ministry, 2) duplicate a ministry already being given by the church or which could be better performed by another agency of the church

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Emerson C. Frey

MUSIC

and a Successful Church Program

THERE is no doubt that music is related to success in a church program. By this we think not only of the choir, the quartet, or the organ, but of the singing of the congregation. This latter is a vital part of any church music program.

It is necessary for us to look at the music program from several vantage points:

1. Equipment and facilities
2. Leadership and leadership training
3. Musicians and their organization
4. The congregation

1. EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES

This is the part of the program for which concern often develops at some point after the music program is in operation. This is good in that it helps us decide what is needed for the particular situation, for the local music situation probably varies more than most other areas of a church program. This belated concern is bad in that often we have gone through a building program and an organ purchasing ordeal without the proper vision, concern, and knowledge about the music program.

In planning a music program a careful survey of the talent and potential of the church and community needs to be made. From this survey a general knowledge of the facility and equipment needs will be determined. The amount of effort put into enlargement outreach, and talent development will be a determining factor.

The number of singers in the various age groups guides us in planning for choir loft, rehearsal rooms, vestments and vestment storage, music and music storage. Pianos should be provided in rehearsal areas since they are better to teach with and easier to hear and learn parts from than an organ.

The size of the organ needs to be adapted to the size of the sanctuary and the budget, but more important, it must be adequate to the needs of all the services of the church, the needs of the worshipers, and somewhat to the ability of the organist.

Enough good music should be made available to supply children's choirs, youth and adults choirs, instrumentalists, and the congregation.

Children's choirs can use octavo, commonly called "sheet" music, and hymnals

or other smaller books. Most singing in the young ages will be unison so the music should be so chosen.

Youth groups will use octavo music and other choir books and hymnals. Two, three, and some four-part music should be provided. Three part music in this area scored for soprano, alto, and bass is very good.

Adult choirs need octavo, cantata, oratorio, and hymnal materials.

Instrumentalists need music written for their instruments. Piano music may sound very bad on an organ, for instance, and vice versa. They need music that is truly church music and of good quality musically.

For the congregation provide a good hymnal. A hymnal that includes music from the great hymn literature of the ages from many nations and tongues; a hymnal that serves the needs of all the people in the church; one that provides adequate responsive and unison readings; numerous indexes and historical data which make the book a workable and useful concordance of hymnology. All of these factors combine to make the hymnal a fit companion book to the Bible.

Vestments which may be more appealing to the artistic sense than the pocket-book are nevertheless beneficial to the music program. They provide uniformity of dress (including head dress when choir caps are used) and they help the singers fulfill their service in a much more impersonal way. Robes are also an art of humility, and separation for service. (See I Chronicles 15:25-28 on the matter of robes.) Choir robes colors should be considered in the light of colors used in the sanctuary and in the robes of the other choirs of the church.

Finally, and of great importance in the area of facilities and equipment is the matter of acoustics in the sanctuary. Acoustics is a matter of such extreme importance that building committees should place this as a number-one goal requirement of the new or remodeled, or even re-decorated sanctuary. Acoustics effect congregational singing either for the better or for the worse. You have likely experienced singing in a church where it seemed you were singing louder than anyone around you, and where there was no enthusiasm in the congregational singing. On the contrary, there are times when the very singing invites more singing and the result is "enthusiasm," (what all song leaders hope to achieve in the singing of the congregation) this is the result of acoustics.

Singing effects the mood of the worshiper, this effects his response to the sermon which is the heart of the service.

In short, we may then say, acoustics partially control all of our services. What has been said for congregational singing may also be said for the singing of the soloist, quartet, or choir.

One simple acoustical rule that I have observed is that carpeted floor and acoustical ceiling should never be used in the same church. It is possible that acoustical tile alone on the ceiling may result in a relatively "dead" or poor acoustical property. Many things effect acoustics and expert advise and council should be sought.

2. LEADERSHIP AND LEADERSHIP TRAINING

A strong program usually develops where there is strong leadership. How about the places where there is no leadership? Look, there probably is some around if someone has a vision and if opportunities are provided to develop it. We need to become aware of the fact that children trained in leadership roles develop into adult leaders in the area of church music the same as any other place. Don't underestimate the ability of young people to lead and to get things accomplished.

Take the persons with the most talent and provide them with self-help materials and point out to them the possibilities within the local group. Then provide the opportunity for them to go to work by organizing choirs and assigning them a place in the services of the church as often as is practical. Begin with the children alone if you cannot begin with an older group. By all means begin!

Singing attracts congregations! A singing church is a growing church! Start the children singing and you be-

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WHY should the Church be interested in youth?

Numerically—There are approximately eighteen million teen-agers in the United States. It is predicted that there will be twice that number in the next five years.

Economically—Teen-agers now spend over ten billion dollars annually. Gilbert Youth Research, specializing in research of youth's economic habits, made this significant discovery: a teen-ager's income is "free" income—they need not meet fixed obligations, also this income is largely free from parental control. Here the Church holds a great potential in stewardship.

Religiously—The Church's losses are predominantly among the teens. Eighty per cent of Church and Sunday school losses are in the Junior-high years. The reasons given are: (1) Nothing to do—no involvement. (2) Not relevant to today's situations—not meeting life's needs. (3) Takes away enjoyments and gives nothing to replace—prohibits, but does not provide. (4) Inconsistency of adults—no vital, spiritual example.

The average Jewish child gets 350 hours of religious training per year; the Catholic child, 300 hours per year; while the Protestant child averages 30 hours.

Decisively—Eighty five percent of salvation decisions are made before a teenager reaches eighteen. Statistics also show that 90% of all teens who reach high school graduation without commitment to Christ never do. It is evident that major decisions of life are being made at earlier ages in life. The Church must face the sobering facts about these figures.

Negatively—Today's youth find themselves caught in a triangle of materialism, secularism, and confusion. Many are born to broken homes and spiritually ignorant parents. The Church must be meet for the resultant void they experience.

To have a successful youth program, the church must have *people*—young people. One of the surest ways of suffocating the life of the church is to drive young people away. We will always live with the truth of the saying that the church is only one generation from extinction. When U. S. A. columnist Stewart Alsop toured Moscow two years ago in a Soviet tourist bus, he saw a church spire down the street. "How is that church doing?" he asked the guide. The guide smiled and replied, "It will soon be empty. Only old people attend." Australian churchman H. M. Arrowsmith returned from a week's tour of Red China reported, "Church services are remarkable, not for the small attend-

ance, but rather for the absence of young people."

Could it be possible that what Communism does by design many churches do by default? A small evangelical denomination reported that from 1855 to 1955 they had grown from 20,000 to 40,000 members. However, they stated, "The increase of population of birth over deaths (according to the U. S. Census Bureau) was 15 percent per 100 a year." This means that if the churches of this denomination had done no more

Paul L. Snyder



A Successful YOUTH Program

during this 100 year period than win their own children to Christ and Church membership, even ignoring the "outsider," their denominational membership of 20,000 in 1855 should have stood at 76,000 in 1955.

The successful youth program seeks, *yea* strives, to hold its "own" youth *as well as* the unchurched friends of these youth. It's as simple and final as that—you cannot have a successful youth program without having and *holding* young people.



To hold them there must be a *planned* program. Someone has said that guesswork leads to less work. And may I add, there will be results, but the results will be of far reaching consequence to Christ and His Church. Success comes before work only in the dictionary. Part of the problem that plagues the Church is that decline and decay is subtle; we fail to notice it and place it in the sin categories that appear more flagrant.

Youth programs must be geared to face life as it really is. Marriage, occupations and professions, college, narcotics, friendships, personal convictions, liquor, and immorality are too real to be ignored. The Church through Christ and God's Word has something to say to youth on these life situations.

They say: How can I determine God's will for my life? What should be my attitude toward military service? What is the Scriptural interpretation of sex?

What help does the Bible render me in finding a husband or wife? What standards in God's Word are absolute? What shall I do about things not specifically mentioned? These life situations provide a wealth of opportunities for youth program planning that must be given due attention by the Church. The wise leader will help the youth discover for himself Christian answers rather than make demanding impositions. Libraries are full of books on methods to motivate and involve youth. Use them for these very situations.

We've passed through the cycle of "no authority and no restraints" rather quickly. We've learned that authority gives security. And a youth program that gives youth the security of "Thus saith the Lord" will have to be a success. Here we must be careful not to oversell Jesus Christ as the One who solves all our problems, but as the One who helps us to solve our problems. Youth leaders must relate God's Word to youth's problems. The Bible can live through information, inspiration and imagination.

Information, to know what the Bible says on a given area of concern. Inspiration, to make the facts of God's Word real on this given area of concern. Imagination, to create in the young person's mind what is eventually to be the end result of following a Biblical principle.

Thirdly, a successful youth program will possess clear-cut *purpose*. Certainly people and program are essential, but a network of activity insures nothing. The ultimate purpose of all youth programs must be "that the man (youth) of God may be perfect (complete), thoroughly furnished unto all good works."

Briefly stated it is changing and challenging them in the things of God. Changed from a sinful life to new life in Christ. If a program does not bring this initial change it is in vain. Desires must be changed; devotions and loyalties must be shifted; disciplines must be assumed coupled with a change of destination and goals in life.

On the heels of change must be challenge. We make a serious mistake when we think that Christ is not sufficient to challenge and satisfy a red-blooded American teen-ager today. The challenge is this—living out Christ's resurrection life in every day. The gravity of our day only makes the challenge greater.

The complexity of our day makes a youth leader's task a real challenge. It is well to remember that the ministry of the Holy Spirit makes this challenge different from any other. For "it is not by might or power, but by My Spirit" that obstacles are overcome.

A successful youth program is not an entity in itself but an integral part of the total program. So the total Church program must ask what youth needs.

1. Youth needs instruction—in God's Word, in missionary responsibility, in stewardship of time, talents and treasures, in living committed to Christ.

2. Youth needs worship experience. Worship is not a certain routine or a given activity, it is a response to divine instruction. Worship and reverence are taught and cultivated.

3. Youth needs expression. True worship is the forerunner of Christian expression. The sharing of what we know and what we possess is necessary to Christian growth. Above every youth could and should be written "Use me or lose me."

4. Youth needs fellowship. That youth is a gregarious lot is not peculiar to 1961. In providing for the fourfold needs of youth, the early church was heavy on fellowship.

In conclusion, a successful youth program must have youth in it. The Church cannot afford to waste the valuable resources of youth. Careful consideration must be given to the dangerous leakage being experienced in these teen years. A total church program must be developed to meet the realities of the teen years. The purpose must be ever present—God's Word being relevant and the answer to the issues so real in their lives. Leaders who have personally experienced this relativity are a must.

Make no mistake about it, the Church's future depends on what we now do with and for our youth.

—Carlisle, Pa., pastor of the Brethren in Christ Church.

The Sunday School

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or which should be engaged in by the entire church group.

There is the tendency in most Sunday schools to devote an undue proportion of the hour to devotions and worship at the price of instruction. Are we sure there is need for anything more than a prayer at the opening of the Sunday school period? There could be some justification for an extended devotional or worship period if this was not provided by the church. However, the church does provide this and the Sunday school, in engaging in this ministry, not only fails to fulfill its primary purpose but actually competes with the worship service of the church. The traditional exodus after Sunday school is offered as evidence.



In our own fellowship the Fall Enlargement Campaigns have been of great blessing and one could only reflect with forebodings what would be our present status had this vision and program failed to materialize. Permit me, however, to share three concerns as one thinks of the outreach emphasis of the Sunday school in view of the Sunday school's main purpose and its relation to the church:

1. Outreach should not be restricted to the Sunday school; it is the duty and function of the church. To assume that the Sunday school presents the most ideal contact to the community is to forget that some would find the worship hour more stimulating; young people find the youth program and men the Men's Fellowship an easier contact. This is stated to point out that the responsibility for outreach really resides with the church and the total program of the church must become involved, including the Sunday school.

2. We also need to be alert lest promotion takes the place of teaching.

There is no better way to assure the permanent growth of a Sunday school than to make that school a better school: better in teaching and teachers; better in facilities; better in discipline and interest; better in a total concern for the pupil and the church. We need to be careful that the atmosphere created in the interest of an enlarged school does not detract from the classroom atmosphere so essential to learning.

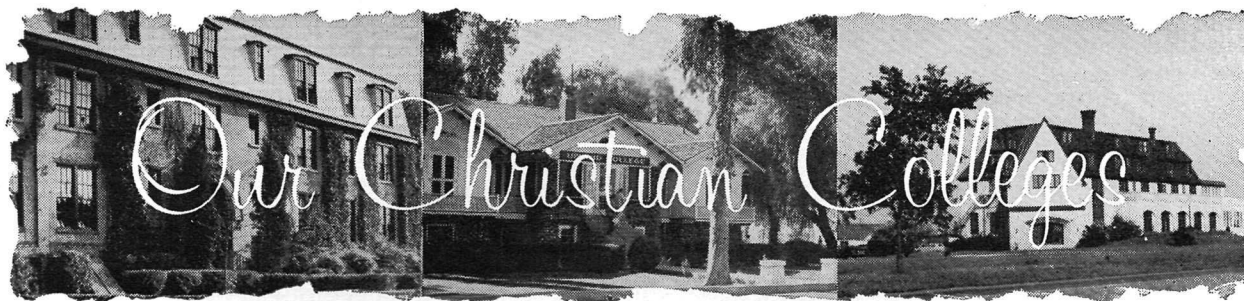
3. In our concern for outreach and the fact that many unchurched come under the ministry of the Sunday school we have geared our curriculum and teaching to this group to the neglect of those who should be going on to maturity. This is just another way of saying that especially for adults the quality of instruction and scope of curriculum in most Sunday schools leave much to be desired. After reaching a certain stage in the Sunday school program one has the feeling that the curriculum is circular—just going round and round—rather than progressive in which more mature courses are offered. The interest seems to be in length and breadth to a curriculum but no depth—and increase in knowledge but little increase in understanding.

These three areas of concern in light of the unique ministry of the Sunday school have been pointed up to alert us to the fact that the Sunday school can fulfill its ministry better when it devotes itself to teaching and engages in these other ministries under the total program of the local church.

In spite of our Christian heritage and an outstanding ministry of the Sunday schools in United States and Canada, the religious illiteracy of our people—even Christians—brings judgment upon both the church and the Sunday school. Unfortunately, this I believe is true, too, of our own fellowship. I am sure that we, who consider ourselves to be a Biblically literate people, would be appalled at the lack of knowledge of those who have grown up within the church and have progressed through the Sunday school.

There is no panacea for this situation. However, a contribution to the solution would be for the church to take seriously her responsibility for teaching and to find in the Sunday school those facilities to reach each age with a planned course of study meeting the needs of that age. The Sunday school should concentrate on teaching and operate within the program of the church and not along side of it. The church must recognize that to her has been committed the responsibility for teaching which she may share but dare not delegate.

—Nappanee, Ind., Publishing Agent of the Brethren in Christ Church.



WITH THE NCC FACULTY DURING THE SUMMER RECESS

Here is a brief description of the activities of the NCC Faculty this summer:

Harold Nigh, B.A., B.D.; Principal, Latin, French

Mr. Nigh was born and raised on a farm, and the love of the soil has never quite left him. During the summer he divides his time between his duties as Principal and farming land which he rents from the College. Mr. Nigh confines his farming activities to the soil—all he has in livestock are a few chickens.

E. Morris Sider, B.A., M.A.; English, History

The first several weeks Mr. Sider spent painting the College buildings. The result is most gratifying. He and his father, Rev. Earl Sider, worked together on this and accomplished a great deal in a comparatively short time. Currently Morris is doing summer work on his Ph.D. in History at the University of Buffalo.

Leone Sider, (Mrs. E. Morris Sider), Girls' Physical and Health Education

The Siders maintain a large garden beside their apartment in the duplex. This, in addition to the endless duties of a wife and mother, has kept Leone busy each working day.

Robert Sider, M. A., B.A. (Oxon.)

Robert stayed in England this summer to continue his studies at Oxford.

Lamar Fretz, B.A.; Geography, English, History

Lamar divided his summer between work for a building contractor and work on his home. His home, located some seven miles from the College, is a "do it yourself" project which displays finesse in workmanship. Lamar spent some time this summer choosing films for the Christ's Crusaders lending library.

John Eyer, B.A.; Music, Boys' Physical and Health Education

During the first part of the summer, John worked with the contractor, remodeling the Boys' Dormitory. When this was completed, he began work with Mr. Sider, painting the exterior wood work on the College buildings. The Eyers also maintain a large garden.

Francis Winger, B.S.; Mathematics, Science

Francis and his wife are new to the campus this year, having moved into the duplex the end of July. He graduated from the Ontario College of Education this spring. This has been a busy summer for the Wingers—getting married, getting moved, and getting ready for teaching this fall. Mrs. Winger was the former Elaine Sider from Stevensville.

Dorothy Nesbitt; Commercial

Mrs. Nesbitt enjoyed the summer at home with her family. Her activities there included all of the endless chores of homemaking, church work and community projects. This year the Lloyd Nesbitt Scholarship, provided by Mr. and Mrs. Nesbitt, was awarded to Terry Riegler of Ridgeway.

School opens at NCC on October 2. To the members of the NCC Faculty this will not signal a return to work, but a change in activity. Summer is a busy time for teachers; it is the only chance they have all year to do the physical work that needs to be done in any home.

CHAPEL TO BE DEDICATED

During the week of September 10-17 Messiah College and the Grantham congregation will observe the dedication of the new chapel. The services during this week will highlight the work of the congregation in its many phases. The services are as follows:

- Sept. 10, a.m.—Our Church and the Sunday School
Mr. Devoss Holmes, Harrisburg, Pa.
- Sept. 10, p.m.—Our Church and Youth
Mr. Bob Neff, YFC Director, Lancaster, Pa.
- Sept. 13 — Our Church and the College
Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr.
Former president and pastor
- Sept. 14 — Our Church and the Community
Featuring the Currier's Quartet
Harrisburg, Pa.
- Sept. 15 — Our Church and Missions
Rev. Samuel F. Wolgemuth
Chairman, Bd. for World Missions
- Sept. 17, a.m.—Morning Worship
Charlie B. Byers
Chambersburg, Pa.
- Sept. 17, aft.—Dedication Service
Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr.
Grantham, Pa.

The Chapel is constructed in the colonial style and seats about 550. The sanctuary is grey-green with white trim. The pews are white and mahogany. The ground floor houses Christian education facilities for children through the junior department.

EIGHT INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT MESSIAH COLLEGE

Six new and two returning international students come from India, Africa, Indonesia, South Pacific, Denmark, and Hong Kong.

India—Mr. Lala Dey and Mr. Kaikhoben Kipgen are both university graduates who have been recommended to Messiah College by Rev. and Mrs. Joseph B. Smith. They are planning to study Bible and Theology so that they may return to Manipur to open a Christian school among their people.

Southern Rhodesia—Rev. Philemon Kumalo is a native minister in the Brethren in Christ Church. He is married and has six children. He has been a Christian for twenty-six years. Rev. Kumalo will leave his wife and family in Africa while he spends one year in Bible study at Messiah College.

Indonesia—Mr. Ik Bie Oei met Dr. C. N. Hostetter, Jr., when he visited Java. He plans to complete college and seminary work and then return to Java as a teacher and religious worker.

Denmark—Miss Lilli Myss-Hansen is a nurse. Her pastor visited the United States and through friends learned of Messiah College. Miss Myss-Hansen plans to be a missionary after she has completed Bible training.

Hong Kong—Mr. Kenneth Ip is an accounting student who is studying in the United States. His interest in a Christ-centered college

led him to apply to Messiah College. He will return to Hong Kong to serve as a Christian businessman.

The two returning international students are Elias Okamura from South Pacific, and Allen Kpenge from Sierra Leone, Africa.

ENROLLMENT UP AT MESSIAH

Present trends indicate that the fall enrollment at Messiah College will be more than 10% ahead of last year. Students returning for their junior and senior year show a gain of 40%. Because of the increase of men boarding students additional facilities must be provided off campus. Total enrollment figures and student highlights can be announced following Registration Day on September 11.

QUARTET COMPLETES SUMMER TOUR

The Royallaires Quartet has just completed a summer-long tour which took them through more than 15 states from the West Coast to Pennsylvania. They sang in church camps, in churches, at the Brethren in Christ General Conference, and the Youth for Christ National Convention.

The Royallaires is composed of two sopranos and two juniors: Bill McLain, top tenor, Upland, California; Eric Kalland, second tenor, Denver, Colorado; Tim Miller, baritone, Glendora, California; bass and leader, Don Frankson, Glendale, California. Accompanying the group was Mr. James Eschenbrenner, admissions counselor.

The Quartet's summer itinerary was as follows:

- June 6-11 Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Ohio
- June 13-19 Brethren in Christ General Conference
- June 21-28 Pennsylvania
- June 30-July 5 Indiana, and YFC Convention
- July 6-9 Michigan, and Michigan Youth Conference
- July 10-16 Ontario, Canada
- July 18-23 Ohio, and Central Ohio Youth Conference
- July 23-28 Cedar Lake Conference, Indiana
- July 30-August 2 Camp Meeting and Youth Conference, Kansas
- August 4-6 Nebraska, and Hamlin, Kansas
- August 7-13 East Iowa Bible Conference, Runnells, Iowa
- August 14-30 Colorado
- September 1 Upland College

SEMESTER HONORS ANNOUNCED BY DEAN BOYER

Fifteen Upland College students have been named for academic honors, according to Dean Ernest Boyer. Each student so named has earned a grade point average of 3.3, B plus or above, during the second semester, 1960-61.

Honored students of the Senior Class are Donnabelle Jeffries, Ross Laidlaw, Dolores Macrapol, Virginia Scott, and Gerry Beamon. Juniors claiming the honors are Virgil Books, Marilyn Bowers, Marylin Dyer, Nancy Hendon, Ilene Jones, and Charles Long.

Two Sophomore students, Sandy Dyer and Eric Kalland, held this record along with two Freshmen, Norman Bert and Clara Ledford.

Two students were selected to receive special semester honors. Gerry Beamon and Charles Long completed the second semester with a grade point average of 4.0, a straight "A" record.

Seniors Ross Laidlaw and Gerry Beamon were recipients of the 1961 Who's Who Among College Students awards.

DR. BOYER ACTIVE IN TEACHER EDUCATION

Dr. Ernest L. Boyer, Dean of Upland College and Director of the Joint Commission on Teacher Education, will participate in the seventh annual Workshop in Teacher Education to be held at Sacramento State College, August 13-18. The Conference is scheduled to study the problems of teacher preparation. The goal is to recommend a training program that would meet the new credential requirements recently adopted by the California legislature. Special attention will be given to the new five-year preparation program for the elementary teacher.

During the conference Dr. Boyer will serve as leader of the section investigating the general education phase of teacher preparation.

This workshop is sponsored jointly by the California State Department of Education, California Council on Teacher Education, California Teachers' Association and several other State organizations directly involved in the preparation of classroom teachers.

Music and the Church

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gin developing leadership and singers for the youth choir of tomorrow and the adult choir of the next generation. The efforts put into developing children not only provides trained singers as they move up through a graded choir system, but helps to hold and save them for the church. Leaders need to be developed or brought in who are awake to the tremendous possibilities of involving large numbers of children and youth in the active program of the church through the choirs.

3. MUSICIANS AND THEIR ORGANIZATIONS

Important as leadership is, it must be supported by proper organization. The choir director, for example, who must carry the total responsibility of the choir is put in a critical spot—it is hard work for him and dangerous for the church. If this person should not be available for one reason or another the program would drop or be seriously handicapped.

The church musician should be supported, and directed first of all, by the music committee of the church. This committee should not be large and should be comprised of both musically talented or informed and non-musical personnel. This provides a voice from the non-musical persons of the church which the musicians need to be aware

of, and intelligent and informed musical planning.

Second, a minister of music should be hired or appointed who is responsible to the music committee who chooses him. It is then his responsibility to direct the music program of the church. He cooperates and works with the minister, Sunday school superintendent, and youth department leaders.

The minister of music may also be the organist and usually directs the adult choir, and may direct other choirs. If there are a number of choirs there are often several leaders who are under the supervision of the minister of music.

Third, an organization within the separate choirs is very important. This should consist of chairman and assistant, secretary or secretary-treasurer, librarian, and in children's choirs, choir mothers to assist in handling the children in rehearsal and service situations.

Church musicians should consider themselves as ministers in the service of God and the church and should spiritually prepare themselves to this end.

4. THE CONGREGATION

Martin Luther brought back to the congregation what was lost to them in the Catholic Church—active participation in the service. If we do not use this privilege we may lose it again to the trained choir or special singers. The choir, in our heritage, is not to replace the congregation's singing, but to lead it in worship singing. The congregation must keep singing!

The congregation needs to be ministered to also. The special singing and the organ music in all parts of the service must be geared to all levels of musical appreciation. The whole flock needs to be fed. The hymns and gospel songs need to cover a wide range of emotional appeal as well as subject content and literary quality.

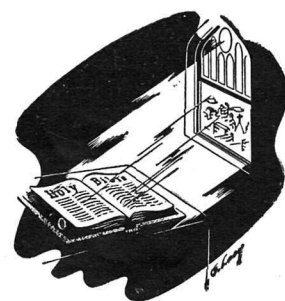
Let us not, however, be deceived into giving the people always what they want! Is this what the pastor is supposed to do? Do we stop in our Christian experience at justification? Does our Bible knowledge stop at John 3:16 or Rom. 10:9-10? So, in church music we need to reach the depths of the great hymns, Psalms, chorales, anthems, and cantatas and oratorios. We must not be deceived by the emotional appeal of a song. Recently, I sat in a service where a soloist with a "tear" in his voice sang a very nostalgic and sentimental song. The emotional appeal to some was very strong and evident; the text of the song, however, was very weak. This kind of song stirs our emotions and does little for the heart, I fear. A classic hymn with a great Bible text and truth stirs a

deep, deep emotion, and fortifies the soul like the rock of faith.

Music is a powerful didactic force! Jesus commanded His disciples to *teach* all nations. What more pleasant way could be found to carry out this command—and what more effective?

There is no doubt that music is related to success in a church program. Provide the facilities and equipment, train or secure leaders to train the musicians who will in turn serve and lead the congregation in worship through music.

(The writer is Music Instructor and Director of Choral Society at Messiah College and Minister of Music, Manor congregation, Pa.)



It Will Show on Your Face

*You don't have to tell how you live
every day,
You need not reveal whether you work
or play,
For the trusty barometer is always in
place,
However you live, it will show on your
face.*

*The sin and deceit you hide in your
heart,
Cannot be kept in when once given a
start,
Tissues and blood are but thin walls of
lace,
What you wear on your heart, you must
wear on your face,*

*If you have battled and won the great
game of life,
If you have striven and conquered
through sorrow and strife,
If you have played the game fair and
reached but first base,
You won't have to tell it. It will show on
your face.*

*If your life is unselfish and for others
you've lived,
For not what you can get, but for what
you can give,
If you have lived close to God in His
infinite grace,
You won't have to tell it. It will show on
your face.*

—Unknown

MISSIONS

Returning to India

THE KEYNOTE of my thoughts these days while enroute to India is *confidence*.

I have every reason to be confident because of the promises of God which are not only written in *His Word* but also revealed to us in each step of *our walk* with Him. I read in Proverbs: "Be not afraid of sudden fear, neither of the desolation of the wicked, when it cometh. For the Lord shall be thy *confidence* . . ."

The prerequisite to confidence is for me this fact: "I have met my Saviour face to face and recognized in Him the Fullness of the Godhead. I have given Him my all. My life has never been the same since. "The "King of my life" has never "let me down."

The second thing to remember is that His leadings are always personal and that He leads in a vital, daily relationship. I thank Him for specific personal guidance in my returning to India: various needs met at the right time; desires



Beulah Arnold, R. N.

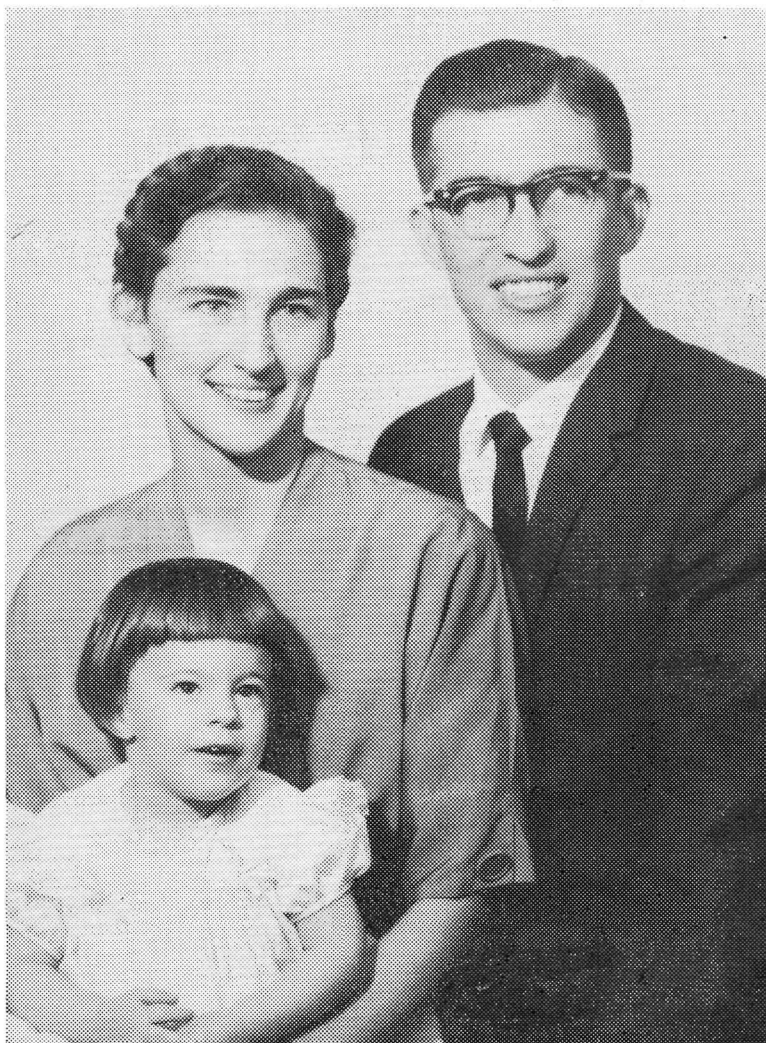
fulfilled beyond expectation as I prepared to go back to the land of my calling. I thank each one of you for your help in meeting the various needs. I say, "Thank you!"

Third, I know Who holds the future. In Matthew 28:19 and 20, Jesus says, "Go . . . and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

Jesus' final words to His called-out ones in Acts 1:8—"And ye shall be witnesses unto me"—are spiritual food to my soul and I want them to motivate every word and action as I labor with Him in India.

—Beulah Arnold, aboard SS Maas Lloyd

RETURNING TO JAPAN



Doyle and Thelma Book and Charity Kay—due to arrive back in Japan about August 25. Address: c/o Mrs. Yoshiko Isshiki, 396 Kyodo-machi Setagaya-ku, Tokyo, Japan.



Mr. Tsuchiyama, a Christian electrician.

"I First Heard About Christianity Last Year"

MY NAME is Mr. Tsuchiyama and I am an electrician by trade. I first heard about Christianity last year when the missionaries came to our town and had a two-week tent-meeting. I was a member of a strong Buddhist family but, hearing these meetings, I attended the tent-meeting almost every night. At first, I thought the speaker's stories sounded strange, but after hearing the messages night after night, I realized this is what my heart is longing after and I made my personal decision for Christ.

I stopped idol worship and began attending church right after the tent-meeting had ended, bought a Bible and song-book, began to try to pray to the True and Living God; and now day by day, as I tell others about my faith, I find new joy in my heart which I never before experienced as a Buddhist believer. I intend to be baptized this summer and in a year or so, I hope to marry a believer and begin a Christian home of our own.

Mr. Tsuchiyama, Japan

"Facts are fingers of God pointing the way to action."

Cold Statistics? No!



Bill and Mary Hoke

(Compiled by Mary H. Hoke from the 1961 Census in India)

ACCORDING to the announcement of the Home Minister, Mr. Lal Bhadur Shastri, to Parliament on March 27, 1961, the provisional population of India is 438 million. This is an increase of 21.49 per cent in the past ten years. Geographically the states on the northeast and on the northwest have shown the greatest increase. For the country as a whole, the crude density per square mile is 384.

Here are some interesting facts and figures pertaining to Bihar, collected or computed from facts and figures in the *Indian Nation*, our daily newspaper, on and since March 15, 1961.

Bihar's population is 46.46 million. It is the second most densely populated state in India and ninth in size. There are 691 people to the square mile. Only ten countries of the world have a larger population than Bihar. Bihar's population is nearly three times that of Canada, and five times that of Australia. Its density is greater than that of Great Britain.

Purnea and Saharsa (the Districts in which the Brethren in Christ are working) have had the highest rate of growth, district-wise, in the past ten years. Purnea had an increase of 37.09 and Saharsa 31.53 per cent. Climatically, the two districts have been the greatest sufferers in the past. Public health conditions have improved as a result of anti-malaria measures and the Kosi project. Purnea District has a population of 3,087,428 in an area of 4,239 square miles and has a density of 728 people to the square mile. Saharsa District has an area of 2,092 square miles with a population of 1,722,549 and has a density of 827 people to the square mile.

Saharsa District which does not have any town continues to be the most rural in North Bihar. A town has to meet these conditions to qualify: a population of more than 50,000 with 1000 people to the square mile, and 75 per cent of the adult men working in non-agricultural jobs.

Begusarai, sub-division in Monghyr

District, has a population of 954,727. In the city proper (where Rev. and Mrs. Charan are the only Christian workers) there has been an increase of 116.1 per cent in the population in the past decade. This increase is largely due to the industrial developments around Baraundi Junction. Khagairai sub-division, also in Monghyr District, has a population of 705,312.

Only 18.23 per cent of the people in Bihar are literate, with only 6.77 per cent of the women and 29.60 per cent of the men literate. Literacy, according to the census, means to be able to read and write a simple letter in any one language. For the state as a whole there has been an 80% increase in literacy in the last decade. However, ten years ago, ten States of India were more advanced in literacy than Bihar today. Saharsa District is one of the most illiterate Districts with 13.75 per cent literate: only 3.89 per cent of the women are literate, having dropped from 4.47 per cent in 1951. It is the only district in which there has been a drop.

The average household has a little over six members. Purnea and Saharsa Districts also have the greatest deficiency of women, when it comes to sex ratio.

There are 2.51 lakhs (251,000) people in Bihar suffering from tuberculosis and 14,223 who have leprosy. These figures were given by the Health Minister on April 10, 1961. Both T.B. and leprosy have increased. There are 841 beds for T.B. patients and 430 for lepers in the State hospitals. Besides these there are two T.B. centers and one T.B. clinic in the State.

What do these figures and facts say to the missionaries, working in this area, and to you? Do they have any effect upon the types of work which we are doing, or should be doing? Seeing the multitudes, and moving among them, are we not moved with compassion?

"Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that He will send forth laborers into His harvest" (Matthew 9:38).

NEWS BRIEFS

FROM the David Livingstone Teacher Training College at Livingstone, N. Rhodesia, where she has recently "settled in," Anna Kettering writes (July 26): "The Staff members here are very friendly and there is a good mixture of English, American, Methodists, Salvation Army, Pilgrim Holiness, and Brethren in Christ. This morning we were introduced to Rev. Chamberlain from Allentown (of the Pilgrim Holiness) who is visiting their work here . . . School begins on the 8th of August but we are busy now getting things organized. There are 25 teachers in training who are doing practice teaching right now and whom we must supervise in the subjects we teach." Ruth Hunt and Jonathan Muleya are also part of the College Staff.

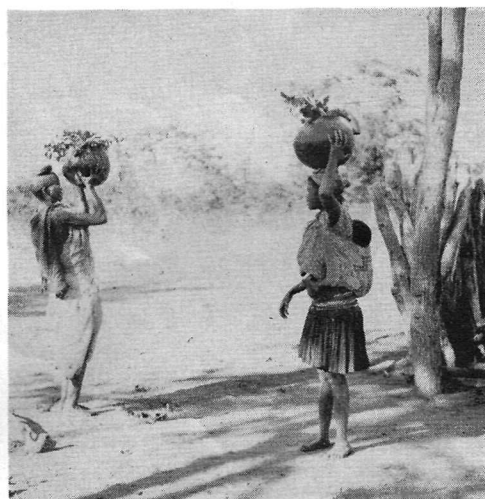
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Kaikhohen Kipgen and Kalyan Dey have booking on the S. S. *Orion*, due to sail from Bombay on August 9, and to arrive in New York, September 2. They have each received full scholarships from Messiah College and will take up their studies there next month. They are commended to our fellowship and prayers by Marietta and Joe Smith with whom they fellowshipped while attending school in Delhi.

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We thank the Lord for the continued recovery of Baby Greta Kibler, whose parents are in charge of Sikalongo Mission, from an attack of polio. The doctor expects complete recovery.

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What's the news?" Bushmen women exchange greetings after filling their clay pots with water at the pump at Butabubile. Note the leaves to keep the water from slopping out of the pots and the circular "padding" on which to set the waterpot for carefree carrying. Many African women walk miles every day to secure water for cooking and washing. Most Africans like to bathe; but it is understandable that bathing is a luxury when the water must be carried for miles.

God gave a gracious season of fellowship at the Church Council meeting held at Sitezi, S. Rhodesia in the early part of July. It was outstanding the way controversial subjects were discussed in a very open and friendly manner. "On Sunday Al Book spoke on Tithing; I, on the Sunday School; Teacher Josiah Ndhlovu, on 'Ye are the Salt of the Earth.' The audience shed tears as he spoke of how very free we are to speak Christianity but not to live it. Al Harvey followed with a powerful message on 'God is not Mocked.' We give God the glory for answering prayer," writes Anna Graybill.

Recent visitors to our missions in Rhodesia included Mrs. Armour Frey, mother of Glenn Frey, Mtshabezi Mission; Perle Harvey's brother—a Methodist minister; Norman Myers, father of Jaye Myers (I-W); and Rev. Lester Myers, well-known to our readers as a former missionary to Africa and later pastor of Montgomery congregation, Franklin County, Pa. The latter participated in various evangelistic meetings.

Mtshabezi has recently been in the quarantined zone for foot and mouth disease. The cattle have all been injected to build up an immunity, as the government is concerned that no contaminated products get to Bulawayo and cut off all sale of meat products to England.

"One, and often two evenings a week" writes Erma Hare, Saharsa (India), "there is an invitation to accompany Miss Book and two of her teachers in visiting homes of students in the day school . . . To hear non-Christian parents tell of the Bible stories, songs and prayers which their children have heard in school, and thus realize that the message has gotten into their hearts, is cause for thanksgiving. This may happen in the home of an official, doctor, or of the less educated."

Calendar of a Busy Pastor

April 12-23 Revival with Brother Jack Yost, Berwick, Pa. Heart-searching messages—Christians were deepened, souls found the Lord as Savior.

May 5 Schock family, and John Roberts, bass, went to Nashville to record first long-play record.

May 14 Member brought a burdened soul to parsonage during supper hour. Following instruction the Pastor, the "Andrew" (member of congregation), and the burdened soul knelt at the altar, and the load of sin rolled away.



DeRossett Sunday School enjoys picnic in Cumberland State Park. To the right of the picture, (r. to l.), Pastor John Schock; Pete Layne, Deacon; Charles Hickey, S. S. Sup't; John Roberts, owner and driver of the truck.

May 25 Long-play (33 rpm) record released. Album includes Schock duet, trio, and quartette. The songs (13) include favorites from the south as well as all-time favorites of everyone. This record (processed and pressed by RCA) can be obtained, postpaid, by sending \$3.98 to John Schock, R. 7, Sparta, Tenn.

May 28 11:00 a.m. Baptismal Service, 2 following the Lord in baptism.

7:00 p.m. Communion Service—Spiritual refreshment, heart searching for 27 ladies and 17 men who took part.

June 4 11:00 a.m. Reception service. Family of 3 united with church. Membership now 41.

1:30 p.m. Schock Family with John Roberts conducted memorial service at Clifty Cemetery south of Crossville.

June 6 General Conference planning committee, 1962, at Springfield, Ohio.

June 14-19 Attended General Conference. John Jr. worked on farm of his uncle, Jacob Schock.

June 30 Aver. S. S. attendance 1st Quarter—106; Aver. for 2nd Quarter—128. Thank God for the increase! Entire S. S. can no longer assemble in main auditorium.

July 1 "Midnight Singing." Service began at 7:15, continuing to 9:30 at which time refreshments were served in the youth building. Service reconvened, 10:00 to 12:10 a.m. About 250 attended this annual event. 58 songs, 28 different groups participating.

July 3-7 Pastor served as speaker for Morning Devotions over WSMT, Sparta, Tenn.

July 4 Painting exterior and interior of John Robert's cattle truck in preparation for S. S. picnic.

July 8 Annual S. S. picnic, Cumberland State Park. Pastor rode in back

with 60 children and youth. Over 40 adults rode in cars.

July 9 New record for S. S. attendance—150. Praise the Lord!

July 11 Pastor and son started putting asbestos siding on unfinished portion of church building (16 sq.) One worshipper remarked, "Is this where I was going to church? Doesn't look like the same place."

July 16 100 present for Sunday evening service. God's presence very near.

August 18-19 Ministers' retreat, West Milton, Ohio.

August 19-27 Memorial Holiness Camp—Ruth, organist, John, song leader, John Jr., PA system.

Sept. 2-3 Annual Homecoming. Monthly "Saturday Night Singing"; S. S. and worship service Sunday morning; dinner in the nearby grove; special afternoon service, under the trees; evangelistic service, evening; special speakers and singers.

Sept. 4 10th Anniversary of service under Board for Home Missions and Extension—5½ yrs. in Virginia, 4½ yrs. in Tenn.—most rewarding!!

Sept. 23-24 Bro. P. W. McBeth to be here in the interest of Sunday School work.

Sept. 26 Gen. Conf. Planning Comm. at Englewood, Ohio.

Sept. 27-Oct. 8 At Merrill, Michigan for revival, where Bro. Ralph Palmer is pastor.

Oct. 18-19 Revival at DeRossett, with Pastor as evangelist. (Pray for us).

Oct. 22 Special offering to pay on indebtedness of recent addition—goal \$500.

Nov. 8-19 Revival at Farris Mines, Va. (D.V.) working with Brother Bruce Urey.

—Pastor John Schock



CHURCH NEWS

BULLETIN-BITS

Numerous Churches in Eastern Pennsylvania are either chartering a bus or joining with another congregation in chartering a bus to attend the Billy Graham Crusade in Philadelphia. Crusade dates, August 20 to September 17.

Aubrey Sanders, pastor of the Powellsville Baptist Church, North Carolina was guest speaker at Lancaster, Pa., Sunday evening, July 30.

The Clarence Center, New York congregation joined with the Evangelical United Brethren in a Vesper Service Sunday evening, August 20 in the Clarence Center Park. Each of the churches provided special music and a Vesper Meditation was given by J. N. Hostetter.

Fairland, Pa., featured Sunday, August 6 as Homecoming Day.

Ralph Rickel for three years pastor of the Moreno Valley Community Chapel, California, has resigned to accept a call to become pastor of the Chino congregation.

The congregations in Indiana featured a Missionary Conference the weekend of August 5-6. Special speakers included Samuel Wolgemuth, Rev. and Mrs. Harvey Sider, Rev. and Mrs. Fred Holland and Lois Davidson, recently returned from Africa. Edith Davidson and Edith Yoder spoke in the field of Home Missions.



Bishop C. J. Ulery extends wishes for God's blessing on the ministry of Rev. and Mrs. Warren Sherman following installation service.

Warren Sherman was installed as pastor at the Village Church, Indiana, Sunday morning, August 13. The Christ's Crusaders presented a Vesper Service on the church lawn followed by a reception for the Shermans. The mayor of Nappanee and members of the ministerium, with friends, were invited to this special Vesper Service.

Aaron Stern is scheduled to be installed as pastor at Clarence Center, New York, Sunday morning, September 3.

Abraham Becker was installed as pastor at Pleasant Hill, Ohio, Sunday morning, August 6.

Joe Haines having completed a term of Pax service in the Near East returned home to Pleasant Hill, Ohio, the week of July 30.

The Village Church, Indiana featured a farewell dinner for Rev. and Mrs. Percy Cassel Sunday, July 30. The Cassels plan to continue living in Nappanee. Bro. Cassel is completing his studies at Goshen College in preparation for teaching.

The personnel of the Gospel Tide Hour conducted a Radio Rally at New Guilford, Pa., Sunday, September 3.

The Family Life Conference of the Atlantic Conference, held the last weekend of July, featured Dr. Clyde Narramore. Reports indicate there were nearly 400 registrations with an estimated attendance of 1200 on Sunday.

The Paul Charles family arrived in California the last week in August. Bro. Charles assumes the pastorate at Pasadena the first week in September.

John Arthur Brubaker, Earl Martin, Jr., and Lane Hostetter were guest ministers at Refton, Pa., during pastor Walter Lehman's vacation.

Harriet Trautwein, missionary to Mexico, was guest speaker for the adult session, Sunday evening, August 6 at Chino, California.

Martha Lady concluded her time of furlough with a farewell service at Zion, Kansas, Sunday, August 20. As a missionary nurse she will be returning to the Rhodesias in Africa.

The Teen-Age Camp of the Midwest Conference was held at Camp Solomon, near Abilene, Kansas, August 1-4. Dr. Arthur Climenhaga, president of Messiah College with James Eschenbrenner and the Royallaires Male Quartet from Upland College served as guest speakers and musicians for the Camp.

Kenbrook Bible Camp near Lebanon, Pa., reports an attendance of 340 campers during the six weeks of Camp—an all time high. 108 boys and girls made a specific commitment to Christ during the camp season.

Sunnymead, California reports sufficient progress on the education building for use in Vacation Bible School conducted in the month of August.

The Youth Commission of the Pacific Conference are planning a Youth Conference at Oak Glen Pines, California, September 8-9-10.

Allen Buckwalter, missionary to India, recently spent seven weeks in bed recovering from an attack of hepatitis.

The Graybill Brubakers were featured in a farewell service at Crossroads, Pa., Sunday, August 20.

Fruitville, Florida reports a recent note-burning service. While the note crumbled to ashes the pastor led in a prayer of thanksgiving.

A weekend conference, emphasizing Youth, Home and Prophecy was held at Silverdale, Pa., August 26-27. Rev. John S. Hess, pastor of Hess's Mennonite Church, Lititz, Pa., was guest speaker.

Pastor Daniel Hoover, Martinsburg, Pa., presented Morning Devotions over WKMC August 16-17.

John Oberholser, in the News-Chronicle, writes of the last week-end at Roxbury Camp: attendance Sunday afternoon, about 3500; improvements offerings received Saturday and Sunday totaled, \$5,550.96; the new outdoor auditorium, located next to the Berean Center was dedicated as the Berean Garden.

Rev. and Mrs. David Wenger, Abilene, Kansas, attended the Maranatha Camp, North Platte, Nebraska, Sunday, August 6. In his absence, Thomas Robson spoke in the morning and Charles Norman was guest speaker for the evening. During another vacation Sunday, Owen Alderfer brought the morning message and the film "Cry in the Night" was featured in the evening service.

Mt. Rock, Pa.

On June 24 our Annual Sunday School picnic was held at Memorial Park in Shippensburg, Pa. A feature of the day was a food shower for our pastor and family, Rev. and Mrs. Clifford Lloyd. Their station wagon went home well laden with groceries.

We enjoyed a Galilean service beside the McDonald Pond in the Mainsville area. This

Early Brethren in Christ Missionaries

THE LATE nineteenth century records of the Brethren in Christ Church reveal a tremendous missionary impulse at work within the group. In the homeland, missionary evangelists were traveling far and wide, colonization churches were being formed, and here and there isolated members were giving their testimonies in new communities. Not only were the Brethren then represented in most of the states and provinces where the denomination is at work today, but we find evidence of their ministry in other areas such as Texas, Massachusetts, North Carolina, Missouri, Minnesota, Arizona, and Nebraska.

Many people know that the official foreign mission work of the Church was launched in South Africa by the Jesse Engle party which sailed from New York City in November, 1897. Few know, however, that a Brethren in Christ couple, D. W. Zook and wife, farewelled two years earlier in November, 1895, on their way to mission work in India, or that Brethren in Christ people were active in missions in at least five foreign countries by the close of 1899. The following missionary roster appeared in the *Evangelical Visitor*, January 1, 1900.

Matopo Mission, Bulawayo, Matabeleland, South Africa

Eld. Jesse Engle
Mrs. Elizabeth Engle
Miss H. Frances Davidson
Miss Alice Heise
G. C. Cress
Mrs. Sara Cress
Isaac O. Lehman

Fordsburg, Johannesburg, South Africa
Miss Barbara Hershey

10 Mirzapur, 2nd Lane, Calcutta, India
D. W. Zook and wife

J. Eber Zook
Mrs. Amanda Zook

Choshi Chiba Ken, Japan
J. I. Long

Khamgaon, Berar, India
Miss Fannie L. Hoffman

Larache, Morocco, N. W. Africa, care of Mr. Rockafellar.

Miss Hettie L. Fernbaugh
Gracias de Gracias, via (New Orleans)
Honduras, C. A.

J. G. and Mrs. Susan Cassel
Mukti, India

Miss Elmina Hoffman Kedgion

is an area in which our Sunday school bus picks up children to attend Sunday School. The program featured a number of musical selections and a meditation by the pastor.

Our church auditorium was well filled for a Children's Day program, July 30. Amid a beautiful floral arrangement in the front of the sanctuary, the children appeared presenting recitations, a monologue, and a skit. The pastor's wife concluded the program with a flannelgraph talk.

CHINO, CALIFORNIA, INSTALLS NEW PASTOR

Merle Brubaker resigned the pastorate at Chino, California to become dean of students at Upland College. Concluding nine years of faithful service, we shall miss them greatly. We bow to God's will and wish them His richest blessing in this new field. He spoke his farewell sermon on the morning of August 20.

After prayerful consideration an invitation was extended to Ralph Rickel to serve as pastor. We are thankful he has accepted and plans call for his installation Sunday, August 27 with Bishop Alvin Burkholder in charge.

Bro. Rickel is a native of Upland, having attended both Upland Academy and Upland College, graduating in 1958. He has served the Moreno Valley Community Chapel for the past three years. During this time the attendance at Sunday School and Church has doubled. He serves as secretary of the Commission on Sunday School of the Pacific Conference.

Mrs. Rickel is also a native of the Upland area. They come to us with two children, Linda Dianne, four, and Lorrie Ann, three. We pray that God will bless their ministry.

Mrs. S. L.

FAIRVIEW, OHIO

The Men's Fellowship held a dinner meeting in June at Hillside Manor, West Milton, featuring Stanley Tam from Lima. His inspiring talk on Soul Winning was enjoyed by members and their wives and guests. It resulted in the salvation of one of the guests.

An evening Vacation Bible School was held June 20-30 with the theme "Living For Jesus." Erma Hoke was superintendent with Marjorie Niesley and Doris Martin in charge of music. Average attendance was 122. Fred Holland conducted an adult class in Missions during the second week. Thirty-four children responded to the call during decision night.

On July 16 Erma Mann was consecrated as a missionary by Bishop Carl Ulery who gave a timely message during the evening. Erma witnessed to God's leadings and her desire to serve where the Mission Board would designate a place for her. She also expressed gratitude for the encouragement given her by the congregation during her life.

The Sunday School and Men's Fellowship jointly sponsored a basket dinner at Memorial Holiness Campgrounds July 11. The congregation enjoyed having the family groups of the O. U. Herrs and L. H. Manns in the community during the summer. At the Communion service Sunday, July 9, Fred Holland brought the message and he and his wife have also shared in other services.

Church-sponsored showers were given for the newly-wedded couples, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Herr and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Waymire. Seventeen of our young people attended the Youth Conference at Quaker Haven, Indiana in July.

IN APPRECIATION

The Canadian treasurer of the Board for World Missions, George C. Sheffer, in behalf of the Board for World Missions expresses appreciation for the contribution of the Levi Steckley family, Gormley, Ontario. Last May 4, Sr. Mabel Steckley, wife of Levi H. Steckley was instantly killed in a car accident. It was

the wish of the family that in lieu of flowers as a token of esteem, contributions should be given to the interest of the cause of World Missions. We gratefully acknowledge the receipt of \$117.00.

Births

KEELER — Janice Charlene, born to Daniel and Priscilla (Oberholser) Keeler, July 21, 1961, West Chester, Pa.

STERN — Bryan Dale, born to Dale and Joan Stern, March 19, 1961, Martinsburg congregation, Pa.

HUBBARD — Roland Lee, born to Mr. and Mrs. George Hubbard, Jr., July 20, 1961, North Collins, New York.

ROBSON — Terrance Meryl, born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Robson, August 7, 1961, Abilene congregation, Kansas.

JOHNSON — Linda Kay, born to Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson, August 2, 1961, Abilene congregation, Kansas.

Weddings

BRACKBILL-GREENAWALT — Maurice Kenneth Brackbill, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Brackbill, Millersburg, Pa., was united in marriage to Miss Arlene Greenawalt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Greenawalt, Elizabethtown, Pa., August 5, 1961. The ceremony was performed at the Crossroads Brethren in Christ Church with Rev. C. R. Heisey officiating.

DAVIS-HOCK — Miss Lois Jean Hock, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Hock, Greencastle, Pa., and John Paul Davis of Sarasota, Florida were united in marriage July 13, 1961. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Harry Hock, uncle of the bride.

SHEFFER-COBER — Elizabeth Lorraine Cober, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jeniah Cober, Stayner, Ontario, and Gordon Leslie Sheffer, son of Rev. and Mrs. George C. Sheffer, Stayner, Ontario, were united in marriage July 29, 1961 in the Sixth Line Brethren in Christ Church. The ceremony was performed by the groom's father.

SCRANNAGE-FERGUSON — Joan Elizabeth Ferguson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ferguson, Collingwood, Ontario, and Robert Franklin Scrannage, son of Mrs. Mary Scrannage of Collingwood, Ontario, were united in marriage July 1, 1961. Rev. Christian H. Sider performed the ceremony in the United Missionary Church in Collingwood.

SHOEMAKER-WEAVER — Miss Shelby F. Weaver, daughter of the late Sheldon H. and M. Fern (Fink) Weaver, and Mr. Edgar G. Shoemaker, son of Mr. Joseph G. and the late Mrs. Shoemaker, were united in marriage July 15, 1961 in the Woodbury Church of God, Woodbury, Pa. The ceremony was performed by the pastor of the church, the Rev. C. F. Helwig, assisted by the bride's grandfather, the Rev. Harry A. Fink.

KREIDER-WOLGEMUTH — Miss Ethel Pauline Wolgemuth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin M. Wolgemuth, Mount Joy, Pa., and Dr. John K. Kreider, son of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Kreider, Mount Joy, Pa., were united in marriage July 23, 1961 in the Navajo Mission chapel, Bloomfield, New Mexico. The ceremony was performed by Rev. J. Wilmer Heisey.

Obituaries

FISHER — Richard Fisher was born in England in the year 1870, and departed this life at the Farness Nursing Home, Nottawa, Ontario, July 8, 1961.

Bro. Fisher was one of a family of fifteen who moved with his parents to this country in 1881. All have predeceased him. In 1894 he was united in marriage to Mary Klippert, daughter of the late Rev. William Klippert of Stayner, Ontario. His wife died in 1942.

In 1905 he was converted and joined the Brethren in Christ Church. He remained a faithful member of the Sixth Line congregation till the time of his death. Surviving are his son Clarence and a daughter, Mrs. Victor Clark, and one grandson.

Funeral services were held from his late residence by his pastor, George C. Sheffer. Interment was in the Brethren in Christ cemetery at the Sixth Line Church.

Twelve Tools for Forming Character

1. We have the power of forming *habits* of good, or moral value in the young child as none others have.
2. We can control the child's *environment*, so that suggestions of good, physical, mental and moral, and not of evil, are unconsciously sowing themselves in its brain.
3. We have the power, by example and story, of filling the child with inspiring *ideals*, so as to give direction to his will, and energy of growth to his character.
4. We can feed the child's mind with *ideas*, the character of which is nearly all under our control, and on which the quality of the child's future character so largely depends.
5. We can exercise the child's growing moral powers with *circumstances*, not too smooth, so that "overcoming" and "courage" may be learned and hardships endured; not too rough, so that the young growth may not be discouraged.
6. We can, by watching the various tendencies, *balance* the one against the other, so as to prevent the character straggling too far in any one direction.
7. We can strengthen the *will*, and make it carry out its own designs, and accustom it to act with energy and decision.
8. We can educate the *moral sense* with reverent care; keeping it tender in its sensitiveness to evil, and only putting such standards before it that we know will hold good through life.
9. We can increase the sense of *responsibility*, first to oneself, then to others, and above all, to God.
10. We can by direct teaching instill the leading *moral principles* of action; and can imbue the young mind with the sequence, and all-importance, of cause and effect.
11. We can by inspiring unquestioning reverence and *faith in God*, and in Christ as our Saviour, cultivate the spirit of humility and dependence on the power of His Spirit to produce in the life the character that pleases Him.
12. We can understand and obey the two Bible maxims for child training: "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it," and "Offend not, hinder not, despise not one of these little ones."

From "Spirings of Character"
by Dr. A. T. Schofield

Case Number 474

by Peter J. Dyck

His case number is 474. There has been a long search for him. More than 30 pieces of correspondence from various countries have through the years collected in his folder in our MCC East-West Office. In time one speaks of "cases," and this is one of many. But suddenly the "case" is solved—No. 474 has received a face! Hans Wiebe of Russia and more recently of the Soviet Zone of Germany stands personally before us.

In the year 1953 his father wrote to the MCC, at that time to C. F. Klassen, "... and then there is another son. We have heard that on February 18, 1945, he was supposedly in Bavaria. Following the war when Germany had an emergency tracing service, we filed a notice but without success. His name is Johann Wiebe."

"But without success." How often must one hear this, unfortunately. Many are waiting for word from their loved ones. "If only one knew whether he is dead or alive," said one mother. "As painful as the news of his death would be, it would be easier to bear than this continual uncertainty." As long as the "case" is not clarified, the search must continue. And when it happens that the lost is found, as it did in the case of Hans Wiebe, then we rejoice with him and his relatives almost as though it were one's own brother whom one had found after years of searching.

Two things which easily weary people are hunting and waiting. Both are severe tests of patience. In the East-West work these two qualities are prerequisites and these, coupled of course with the gracious leading of God, led to the closing of Case 474. About 45,000 brethren of the faith are in Russia and many families are still waiting for reunion. We don't know whether we will bring this work to completion, but we in the East-West Office have adopted the slogan of the old rabbi: "It is not your duty to finish the task, but neither are you at liberty to abandon it."

"Dear MCC," wrote Hans Wiebe after the long awaited contact was finally established. "With great joy I have received your letter of June 11 and thank you for it with my whole heart. You can probably not imagine how one feels to finally receive a sign of life from one's relatives after 16 years. Please accept my most sincere thanks."

On New Year's Day we were able to visit Hans Wiebe and his wife in their one-room apartment and present a parcel in the name of his mother in Canada as well as "in the name of Christ" through the MCC. We used the occasion for a family outing and it was a happy experience for our children to meet and greet the Wiebes after they too had heard about "Case 474." With heads bowed in prayer we thanked God not only for the New Year but also for the new beginning so graciously and wonderfully granted to our friends, the Wiebes. Both of them now have work and are looking hopefully to a better future. Plans for this future include a trip to Canada to visit the mother, brothers and sisters.

take an assignment with MCC while on leave of absence from Bluffton College during the 1961-62 school year. Kreider has been invited to explore possibilities of Mennonite teachers serving in underdeveloped areas of the world.

The project will include evaluation of the relative needs of countries where MCC and Mennonite mission boards are working and study of how Mennonite liberal arts colleges may more effectively prepare students for overseas service in relief, mission and educational assignments.

Kreider's study will be based at Akron MCC headquarters. His assignment will involve consultation with Mennonite mission board secretaries, with the colleges through the Council of Mennonite and Affiliated Colleges, and with government and church agencies regarding their experience in the use of teachers abroad. He will also visit some of the areas served by MCC and Mennonite mission boards in order to determine needs in these places. Upon completion of the study project, Kreider will report to the MCC Executive Committee on his findings and possibly recommend a program based on the study.

Factors which have led MCC to undertake this study include the great demand for education in underdeveloped countries, the need for churches in these countries to keep abreast of educational developments, and the interest of many young people in teaching abroad.

Both Robert and Lois (Sommer) Kreider have previously served with MCC in Europe and at Akron headquarters. The Kreider family will move to Akron on August 15.

ALTERNATIVE SERVICE REQUIREMENTS UNCHANGED

Akron, Pa. (MCC) — In response to the deepening world crisis, President Kennedy on July 25, 1961, addressed the nation calling for a united front to withstand the onslaughts of communism. The next day he submitted to Congress requests for increased appropriations for defense and for authority to call up reservists and to extend the period of service of persons now on active duty.

The speed and unanimity with which the Congress and American citizens have embraced the President's proposals are indicative of the prevailing opinion in our country today.

In addition to the spending increases for missiles and other weaponry, President Kennedy intends to raise the total armed services strength by approximately 250,000 over the present ceiling, with about half of the increase being in the Army. To accomplish this, draft calls will be accelerated with the likely result that the age at which men can expect to be called may be reduced to approximately 22.

For the present, however, no changes in deferment policies are expected, and the authorizations which the President has requested do not affect conscientious objectors who are in I-W civilian work assignments.

BIENENBERG CHOIR TO TOUR U.S. AND CANADA

Akron, Pa. (MCC)—The Bienenberg Choir from the European Mennonite Bible School, Liestal, Switzerland, will visit Mennonite communities in North America August 17 to October 20. The choir will tour approximately 50 churches in the U.S. and Canada.

Composed of fourteen alumni of the Bible school, the group is traveling under the direction of Samuel Gerber, principal, and Clarence Hiebert, a part time instructor at the school during the last two terms. Programs to be presented will consist of German and English songs, instrumental music and devotions.

The European Mennonite Bible School opened in 1950 as the result of efforts of French, German and Swiss Mennonites in cooperation with North American Mennonites through the Mennonite Central Committee. In its program of training young people for work

in European churches the school offers four-month courses in Bible, Christian ethics, church history, and in the mission of the church.

Throughout the tour, the members wish to become acquainted with North American Mennonite youth and their church activities, to acquaint Mennonites with the European school program and to strengthen fellowship between Mennonites of Europe and North America.

The first part of the choir's tour will follow this schedule: Aug. 19 and 20, Eastern Pennsylvania; Aug. 22-24, Ontario; Aug. 25, Archbold, Ohio; Aug. 27, Goshen, Ind.; Aug. 28, Chicago; Aug. 30, Kalona, Iowa; Aug. 31, Mt. Lake, Minn.; Sept. 1, Freeman, S. D.

A condensation of the remainder of the itinerary follows: Sept. 3-5, Manitoba; Sept. 7 and 8, Saskatchewan; Sept. 10-12, Alberta; Sept. 14-17, British Columbia; Sept. 18, Blaine, Wash.; Sept. 20 and 21, Oregon; Sept. 24-26, California; Sept. 29, LaJunta, Colo.; Oct. 1-4, Kansas; Oct. 6, Henderson, Nebr.; Oct. 8, Oklahoma; Oct. 11, Metamora, Ill.; Oct. 12, Berne, Ind.; Oct. 13, Bluffton, Ohio; Oct. 14 and 15, Western Pennsylvania; Oct. 16, Harrisonburg, Va.; Oct. 17-20, Eastern Pennsylvania.

RESOLUTION ON NONRESISTANCE

At the semi-annual meeting of the Mennonite I-W Co-ordinating Board held in the Atlantic Hotel, Chicago, on July 27, a resolution was passed which encourages our Mennonite churches to keep in constant communication with other evangelical churches on the doctrine of nonresistance. This resolution includes the need for a conversation with Billy Graham during his Philadelphia campaign on the Biblical imperative of nonresistance as well as continuing conversations with the National Association of Evangelicals and the Youth for Christ movement.

SPONSORS NEEDED FOR HONG KONG SCHOOL CHILDREN

Akron, Pa. (MCC)—Individual sponsorship of school children in Hong Kong is being initiated by MCC through its Hong Kong Educational Assistance Program. The new plan will enable sponsors to support a child in a Hong Kong school for \$3 per month. Former MCC educational assistance was on a group basis.

It is estimated that about 60,000 children in Hong Kong are not in school because they cannot afford the small cost of tuition, uniforms and books. There are no free public schools in Hong Kong.

Under the new assistance program \$36 will support a child in one of several selected schools for a year. Sponsors will receive reports and pictures of the children they are supporting.

Two hundred and fifty sponsors are needed for the Educational Assistance Program this year. Persons interested in participating in the program should write to J. N. Byler, Mennonite Central Committee, Akron, Pa.

REM TO HEAD MENNONITE VOLUNTARY SERVICE

Frankfurt, Germany (MCC) — Beginning service as Executive Secretary of Mennonite Voluntary Service in Europe is James Rem of Krommenie, Holland. He is replacing LaMar Reichert, Bremen, Ind., who has served as MVS Executive Secretary for the past two years.

Rem began work in the MVS office at Kaiserslautern, Germany, in July. He is a member of the Mennonite church in Krommenie.

Mennonite Voluntary Service is supported by European and American Mennonites and plans international voluntary work camps each summer. Work camps, most of them involving construction, are held for three to seven week periods in Austria, France, Germany and the Netherlands.

MCC News

ROBERT KREIDER TO STUDY EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE ABROAD

Akron, Pa. (MCC) — Robert Kreider, vice-chairman of Mennonite Central Committee and dean of Bluffton College, Bluffton, Ohio, will

NEWS ITEMS

FUGITIVE CONFESSES, THEN RETURNS TO PRISON

Only a few minutes after he had been baptized as a member of the Beachy Amish Mennonite Church, a fugitive convict was taken to jail to await return to a Rhode Island state prison.

Ernest Collins, who escaped last March from a Rhode Island prison where he was serving a burglary sentence, had intended to surrender voluntarily, but a tip to the F.B.I. brought law enforcement officials before he could make good his promise to the congrega-

tion of the Woodlawn Amish Mennonite Church.

Befriended by Mennonites at the Hope Rescue Mission in South Bend, Indiana after his flight from the Rhode Island prison, Collins had been making his home with the family of Bishop Elam S. Hochstetler.

Instructions in the Christian faith convinced Collins, alias "Bill Souza," that he must confess.

On Sunday, July 9, he announced at church that he was an escaped convict and that he would return voluntarily to complete his term in Rhode Island. Convinced of his sincerity, the congregation arranged for his baptism that evening.

But the story didn't remain secret that long. A neighbor called the F.B.I., and a sheriff's arrest was requested. Bishop Hochstetler secured the sheriff's permission to proceed with the baptismal ceremony, and Collins was baptized and taken to jail where he waived extradition. He said he would hold to his newfound faith in prison and return to his Amish friends when released.

PENNSYLVANIA HOUSE VETOS BILL WHICH

WOULD HAVE ENDED DEATH PENALTY
Harrisburg, Pa. (EP)—The House of Representatives here has defeated legislation to abolish capital punishment in Pennsylvania.

Missions in America

Explanatory note: Missions () and Extension Churches are listed as per address.*

ALLEGHENY CONFERENCE

Baltimore 21, Maryland: Rev. LeRoy Walters, pastor, 925 Homberg Avenue, Church address, Marlin Avenue, Telephone MU 6-3189

Blairs Mills, Pennsylvania: Rev. Kenneth Melhorn, pastor, Willow Hill, Pa.

*Blandburg, Pennsylvania: Rev. William Berry, pastor

Breezewood, Pennsylvania (*Mountain Chapel, Ray's Cove*): Rev. Norris Bouch, pastor, Altoona, Pa., R. 2, Box 566

Holidaysburg, Pennsylvania (*Canoe Creek and Mt. Etna Churches*): Rev. Roy Zook, pastor, R. 2

Hopewell, Pennsylvania (*Sherman's Valley*): Rev. Earl Lehman, pastor, R. 2, Telephone—New Granada, Murry 5-2344

*Ickesburg (*Saville Church in Liberty Valley*): Rev. Merle Peachy, pastor, Thompsonstown, Pa., R. 1

Iron Springs, Pennsylvania: Rev. James Leshner, pastor, Fairfield, Pa. Box 5, Telephone—Fairfield 17W

Little Marsh, Pennsylvania (*Jemison Valley*): Rev. Samuel Landis, pastor, Telephone—Westfield, Pa. Emerson 7-5355

Mt. Holly Springs, Pennsylvania: Rev. Edward Hackman, pastor, Mounted Route

Red Lion, Pennsylvania: Rev. Samuel Lady, 207 Maple Avenue, Hanover, Pa. Telephone—MElose 7-3585

Ringgold, Maryland: Rev. Chester Wingert, Greencastle, Pa., R. 3

Saxton, Pennsylvania: Rev. Glenn Hostetter, pastor, 816 Mifflin Street, Saxton, Pa. Telephone—5-2958, Church address, 700 Weaver Street

Three Springs, Pennsylvania (*Center Grove Church*): Rev. Marion Walker, pastor

Uniontown, Pennsylvania (*Searights*): Rev. George Kipe, pastor, Uniontown, Pa., R. 4

ATLANTIC CONFERENCE

Allisonia, Virginia (*Farris Mines*): Bruce Urey, pastor

Broadway, Virginia (*Fulks Run*): Rev. Fred Parks, pastor, Linville, Virginia

Callaway, Virginia (*Adney Gap*): I. Raymond Conner, pastor, Callaway, Va., Telephone—Bent Mountain, 12 J 31

Callaway Church: Rev. Calvin B. Fulton, pastor, 1531 Riverdale Road, S.E., Roanoke 13, Virginia

Harrisburg, Pennsylvania (*Messiah Lighthouse Chapel*): 1175 Bailey Street, Harrisburg, Telephone—CEdar 2-6488, Rev. Joel Carlson, pastor, Mrs. Faith Carlson, Misses Elizabeth Kanode, Beulah Lyons

Hillsville, Virginia (*Bethel Church*): Rev. Leon Herr, pastor, Hillsville, Va., R. 4, Telephone—Sylvatus, RO 6-3238

*Hunlock Creek, Pennsylvania: Rev. Ross Morningstar, pastor

*Llewellyn, Pennsylvania: Rev. Charles Melhorn, pastor; Telephone—Minersville, Liberty 4-5206

*New York City, New York: 246 East Tremont Avenue, Bronx 57, New York, (*Fellowship Chapel*) Telephone—TR 8-0937, Rev. Paul Hill, pastor, Mrs. Evelyn Hill, Mrs. Esther Robinson, Miss Alice McCreedy, I-W and V.S. Workers: Miss Mary Lou Ruegg, Mr. Dallas Robinson

*New York City, New York (*Brooklyn Mission*): 984 Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn 5, N.Y., Parsonage, 246 East Tremont Avenue, Bronx 57, N.Y., Rev. Harold Bowers, pastor, Mrs. Catherine K. Bowers

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania: 3423 North Second Street, Philadelphia 40, Pa., Telephone—NEbraska 4-6431, Rev. William Rosenberry, pastor, Mrs. Anna Rosenberry, Miss Anita Brechbill

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Delisle, Saskatchewan, Canada: Rev. Marshall Baker, pastor, 530 Fifth Street, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada

Hamilton, Ontario, Canada (*Ridgemount Brethren in Christ Church*): Cor. of Jameston and Caledon Streets, Office Telephone—FU 3-5212, Rev. J. Allan Heise, pastor, 396 West Second Street, Telephone—FU 3-5309

*Meath Park, Saskatchewan, Canada (*North Star Mission-Howard Creek and Paddock-wood Churches*): Rev. Maurice Moore, pastor, Mrs. Mabel Moore

Port Rowan, Ontario, Canada (*Walsingham Centre*): Rev. Arthur Heise, pastor

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Cincinnati, Ohio: 2951 Sidney Avenue, Cincinnati 25, Ohio, Rev. William Engle, pastor

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Dearborn, Michigan (*near Detroit*): 4411 Detroit Street (Church and parsonage), Rev. Maurice Bender, pastor

Ella, Kentucky (*Fairview and Miller Fields Churches*): Rev. P. B. Friesen, Columbia, Kentucky, R. 3, Box 157

Garlin, Kentucky (*Bloomington Church*): Rev. Curtis Bryant

Gladwin, Michigan, R. 4: Rev. Gary Lyons, pastor

Hillman, Michigan, R. 1, (*Maple Grove Church at Rust*): Rev. Milford Brubaker, pastor

Knifley, Kentucky: Rev. Gaylerd Miller, pastor

Massillon, Ohio (*Amherst Community Church*): Rev. Orvin White, Jr., pastor, 8645 Gladys St. N.W. Massillon, Ohio

Shanesville, Ohio: Rev. David Buckwalter, pastor

Sheboygan, Wisconsin: 1325 Carl Avenue, Telephone—Glencourt 8-2627, Rev. Tyrus Cobb, pastor

Sparta, Tennessee, R. 7 (*DeRossett*): Telephone—Sparta, RE 8-2518, Rev. John Schock, pastor

Uniontown, Ohio: Rev. Henry P. Heisey, 4052 Georgetown Rd., Canton 5, Ohio

West Charleston, Ohio: Rev. Hess Brubaker, pastor, Tipp City, Ohio, R. 1, Box 43, Telephone—Tipp City 8256

MIDWEST CONFERENCE

Colorado Springs, 2402 East Caramillo Street, Colorado Springs, Colorado: Rev. Earl Engle, Jr., pastor

PACIFIC CONFERENCE

Albuquerque, New Mexico: Church and parsonage, 541 Utah Street, N.E., Telephone—AL 6-9492, Rev. John Bicksler, pastor

*Bloomfield, New Mexico (*Navajo Mission*): Telephone—Farmington YR 6-2386, Rev. J. Wilmer Heisey, Mrs. Velma Heisey, Dr. John Kreider, Miss Ethel Wolgemuth, Rev. John R. Sider, Mrs. Ethel Sider, Misses Dorothy Charles, Ida Rosenberger, Verna Mae Ressler, Rosa Eyster, Jane Monn, Mary Olive Lady, Anna Marie Hoover, Edna Long, Mr. Ralph Halter, Misses Ruth Gettel, Janet Oberholtzer, Mildred Brillinger, Mrs. Anna Mae Ludwig, I-W personnel: Mr. John Ludwig, Dallas Shelley, Robert Myers, Interpreters: Fannie Scott, Peter Yazzie

Ontario, California: Rev. Nelson Miller, pastor, 13322 Archibold Avenue, Ontario, California

Salem, Oregon (*Labish Community Church*): Church address, 4522 Scott Avenue, N.E., Rev. Art Cooper, pastor, 4306 Scott Avenue, N.E., Salem, Oregon, Telephone—EM 2-7204

*San Francisco, California (*Life Line Mission*): Mission office and mailing address, 422 Guerrero Street, San Francisco 10, California, Telephone—UNDERhill 1-4820, (*Mission Hall and Hotel, 128 Fourth Street*), Rev. Avery Heisey, pastor, Mrs. Emma Heisey, Mr. Harry Burkholder, Misses Rhoda Lehman, Esther Hennigh, Dorcas Kline, Mr. Donald Ott

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The death penalty issue has created new controversy in the state since the beginning of the year. Some Protestant groups have advocated the abolition of capital punishment, while Roman Catholic circles generally favored retaining the death penalty.

SURVEY TO BE MADE

The Church of the Brethren announced a three-year survey to discover what its more than 200,000 members feel and think about the purpose of the Church . . . urged President Kennedy to use his influence among world powers to continue the ban on nuclear weapons testing . . . and endorsed the Peace Corps with the caution that it should be a "non-political, people-to-people" program and not "government-to-government."

MERGER NEGOTIATIONS CONTINUE

Some 1500 delegates to the annual meeting of the Christian and Missionary Alliance in Columbus, Ohio, voted to continue merger negotiations with the 7,500-member Missionary Church Association which has about 100 missionaries overseas. The much larger Alliance has a membership of 68,230 with more than 830 missionaries. The Rev. William F. Smalley was re-elected general secretary of the society, and the Rev. Bernard S. King was re-elected treasurer. Dr. Nathan Bailey of Toronto, Ontario, president and Dr. Kenneth C. Fraser, vice-president, were named to three-year terms last year.

JUDD: CHRISTIAN DEDICATION CAN SAVE U. S.

Some 1,000 businessmen and their families from various parts of the world, attending the annual convention of the Interdenominational Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship International in Miami Beach, Florida, heard representative Walter Judd (Rep.-Minn.) say that United States is approaching the day when a young Castro could plunge the country into a Communist dictatorship.

Calling on businessmen to rededicate their lives to Christ to make America more righteous, the former Congregational missionary to China reminded that it is righteousness, not power or wealth, according to the Bible, "which exalteth a nation."

He charged that Americans have been seeking peace and prosperity and forgetting the Bible which admonishes, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you."

This country is in danger, Judd said, unless it remembers that Communists do not operate on the basis of the Ten Commandments and that they do not recognize man's God-given rights.

"Communism is a cancer," the former medical missionary said. "We cannot say that when cancer is in the left leg, the right leg doesn't have to worry because cancer never stops; it becomes subversive and enters the neighboring cells."

"Communism will not take the world by Russian troops crossing borders. But Greeks will take Greece, Italians will take Italy, Frenchmen will take France, as Cubans took Cuba, and Americans will take the United States if communism succeeds."

KSBUS HEARD NEAR PEIPING

Naha, Okinawa (FENS) — According to reliable information, there are now more than four million radios on the China Mainland. Factories in China produce 100,000 a year. Many thousands of others are imported from Russia.

A recent letter to the Far East Broadcasting Company came from near Peiping, 1,000 miles away from KSBUS, from a person who listens frequently in the early morning hours. The ministry of the 100,000-watt M/R station

KSBUS to the China Mainland is two-fold: 1) To bring hope, comfort and inspiration to the oppressed Christians in China. 2) To present the hope of eternal life to those who do not know Him.

RED CHINA REFUSES RELIEF

Hong Kong (FENS)—A ruinous succession of drought, flood and famine has brought suffering and need to hundreds of thousands of workers on the Chinese mainland.

Despite the conditions, the government of Red China has consistently turned down repeated offers of aid from outside relief agencies including the International Red Cross. Peiping has maintained that it is "fully capable of overcoming temporary difficulties caused by natural calamities."

In replying to the appeal of concerned American Protestants, urging the shipment of food surpluses from the United States to the stricken mainland, Dr. Earle Ballou, acting Director of Church World Service has said: "There is nothing we can do . . . The Red China government does not want aid and will not accept it."

Bandung, Java (FENS) — A defendant in Bandung Court was sharply reprimanded as he stood trial on charges of stealing 20 copies of the Koran from a Moslem religious teacher, who intended them to be distributed among the faithful.

Said the judge, "You have committed a sacrilege by stealing the Holy Koran. The Court, on behalf of Almighty God, serves a one-year prison sentence on you."

NAE WILL BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF NEW HEADQUARTERS IN FALL

Wheaton, Ill. (CNS) — Construction of a new headquarters building for the National Association of Evangelicals will begin this fall, according to Dr. George L. Ford, executive director of the cooperative Protestant organization. The building will be located in Wheaton, Ill., site of the headquarters for the association for the past seven years. NAE has acquired title to two acres of property on North Main Street in this city where more than 20 Protestant church-related organizations have their offices.

The new building, to be of brick and stone construction, will be ready for occupancy next spring. It is expected to cost \$100,000, Dr. Ford said. When completed it will house the executive offices of the association and the editorial offices of United Evangelical Action magazine, NAE's official publication.

In addition to its headquarters, NAE carries on its program through regional offices in Williamsport, Pa.; Detroit, Mich.; Chicago, Ill.; Los Angeles, Calif.; and Portland, Ore.

HOOVER SAYS 1960 CRIME RATE HIGHEST IN HISTORY

Washington, D. C. (EP)—J. Edgar Hoover, director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, has reported that the year 1960 was the blackest in the crime annals of the United States.

The crime rate, which has risen ominously for the past decade, increased by 14 per cent during the year. Some 1,861,000 serious crimes were reported to police—an increase of 230,870 over the previous record set in 1959.

The number of crimes committed in 1960 almost doubled the number of offenses reported to police in 1950, for an actual increase of 98 per cent over the past decade.

Since the population has gained only 18 per cent in this period, this means that the crime rate per capita is now 66 per cent greater than 10 years ago.

EICHMANN ADMITS TEARING TESTAMENT TO PIECES

Jerusalem (EP)—While on trial here for the mass killing of six million Jews during World War II, Adolf Eichmann admitted that on two occasions he had torn copies of the New Testament from his wife's hands when she expressed a desire to read it. Once, he said, he had torn it to pieces.

"I must confess," the ex-SS Nazi said, "there are incidents in a man's life which he commits from pressure of circumstances or sudden anger. . . . A man isn't a perfect instrument and doesn't always follow his own will."

A POLITICAL NOTE FROM CHRISTIANS IN GERMANY

Bad Nauheim, Germany (EP) — Western powers must not buckle under Soviet pressure on Berlin, warns the Committee on Christian Responsibility for European Cooperation.

Renunciation of its rights in Berlin, the committee declared at a special meeting here, would have far-reaching consequences for the whole world and be tantamount to formal recognition of Soviet control over all of Eastern Europe.

"Such renunciation would essentially strengthen the position of the Soviet Union and be understood throughout the world as an admission that the West is no longer able to build up and maintain political structures where free men may live in a free order," the group said.

URGES SENATE TO BAR LIQUOR ON AIRLINES

Washington, D. C. (EP) — The Senate has been urged to act on legislation to ban the serving of alcoholic beverages on airliners. The plea came from Senator Jack Miller (Rep.-Iowa) who reminded his colleagues of a recent incident involving danger to 118 passengers on a Chicago-Los Angeles flight.

"Although no one was injured," Senator Miller said, "one of the passengers had a whiskey bottle taken from him by the stewardess, whereupon he became enraged and brandished a pocketknife."

BILLY GRAHAM HAS MAYO CLINIC CHECKUP

Rochester, Minn. (EP)—Apparently in fine health, Evangelist Billy Graham left Mayo clinic here for his home in North Carolina after undergoing what was described as a "routine physical checkup."

The results of Dr. Graham's examination were described by a clinic official as "completely satisfactory." No medication or further appointments have been prescribed.

The evangelist begins a month-long crusade in Philadelphia on August 20. In October, he plans to go to Israel for five or six weeks to "study the Bible." After that he will go to India to be an observer at the World Council of Churches' assembly.

SOUTHERN PRESBYTERIANS ANNOUNCE RENEWED ACTIVITY IN CONGO

Nashville, Tenn. (EP) — The Presbyterian Church in the U. S. (Southern) will soon have 52 missionaries in the Congo, it was reported at a meeting here of the denomination's Board of World Missions.

Before the new African nation was torn by civil war violence last year, Southern Presbyterians could count some 161 persons on their mission staff there. At present there are about 40 as the result of enforced withdrawals and regular furloughs.

"Due to the troubled time in the Congo and the increased tensions and difficulties of the work" the board voted to reduce the term of service for Congo missionaries from four to three years.